Division of Youth Corrections

Mission Statement >>>

To protect, restore, and improve public safety through a continuum of services and programs that: effectively supervise juvenile offenders, promote offender accountability to victims and communities, and build skills and competencies of youth to become responsible citizens.

Vision Statement >>>

"Working with Colorado Communities to Achieve Justice"



Grand Mesa Youth Services Center

Mission Statement >>>

A dedicated staff committed to protecting public safety by providing a secure, educational, and therapeutic environment to help all youth succeed in life.

Vision Statement >>>

"Every Youth Can Find Success"



The Five Key Strategies

The Division will provide
THE RIGHT SERVICES AT THE RIGHT TIME

delivered by QUALITY STAFF

PROVEN PRACTICES

SAFE ENVIRONMENTS

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RESTORATIVE COMMUNITY JUSTICE PRINCIPLES

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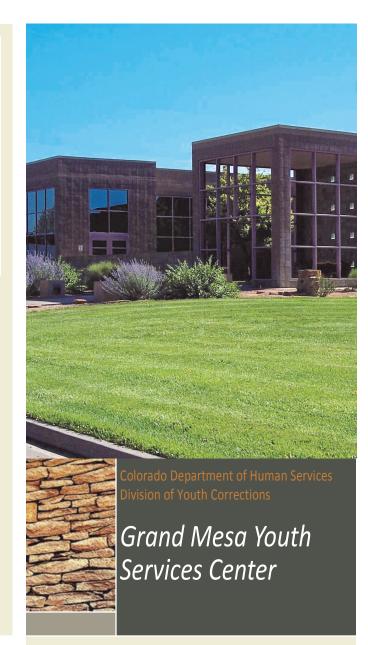
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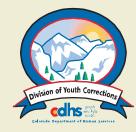
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Visitation is an avenue to build and maintain healthy family and community relationships.

Visit Information >>>

Families of youth in the care of the Colorado Division of Youth Corrections are encouraged to visit the facility. All visits require a scheduled appointment. You can request visitation by contacting the Grand Mesa Youth Services Center Control Unit at (970) 242-1521 ext. 10.

Visitation Hours >>>

Monday-Friday: by appointment
Detention Youth – Saturdays 1pm-2pm
Committed Youth – Sundays 1pm-2 pm, 2 pm-3pm

Visits are allowed with immediate family members, legal guardians, and grandparents. Youth have the opportunity for a minimum one-hour visit per calendar month.

Grand Mesa Youth Services Center Program Information >>>

The Grand Mesa Youth Services Center (GMYSC), located in Grand Junction, Colorado, is a 73-bed co-ed secure, multipurpose facility operated by the Colorado Division of Youth Corrections (DYC). GMYSC provides detention, regional assessment, and secure custody services. Grand Mesa serves clients from six Colorado judicial districts – the 6th, 7th, 9th, 14th, 21st and 22nd Judicial Districts and eighteen Colorado counties - Moffat, Routt, Grand, Rio Blanco, Garfield, Pitkin, Mesa, Delta, Gunnison, Montrose, San Miguel, Ouray, Hinsdale, Dolores, Montezuma, La Plata, Archuleta and San Juan.

The GMYSC detention unit is designed to provide services to youth held awaiting court hearings and/or serving short court sentences. Detention youth participate in cognitive behavioral programming designed to teach skills in anger management, improved decision making, empathy, and other social related skills. Through a collaborative agreement with Ariel Clinical Services, detention youth receive, on an as needed basis, brief mental health assessments and crisis management counseling. Educational services are provided through Mesa County District 51. Teachers are on site Monday through Friday to provide assessment to appropriate grade level and classroom instruction. In addition, youth receive daily recreation and structured leisure time.

GMYSC operates two units that serve youth committed to the Division of Youth Corrections. During the first thirty days of a youth's commitment, Grand Mesa staff conduct a thorough assessment to determine treatment needs in such areas as criminogenic risk, substance abuse, mental health, education/vocation, family functioning, and medical. Findings from the assessment process are utilized to formulate individual treatment plans which reflect strategies for reducing identified criminogenic risk factors. A Multi-disciplinary Team (MDT) is organized specific to each youth's case. The MDT meets a minimum of quarterly to review and modify treatment plan goals, objectives and interventions, and plan for transition to a step down program or parole.

The long-term commitment program provides services designed to prepare youth for successful re-entry into their home communities. In order to accomplish this, vouth participate in a variety of services such as education, individual and group treatment, and psychoeducational groups designed to promote accountability, victim empathy, and restorative community justice. Daily programming emphasizes learning and practicing good social skills. Commitment educational services are provided year round by certified state teachers in the areas of core subjects, electives, and vocational instruction. Youth may either work on transferrable high school credits with a goal of graduation, or participate in the GED program. Vocational opportunities include culinary arts, general construction trades, and custodial services. Clinical services are afforded to all youth based on need. GMYSC clinical staff provide mental health, offense specific, and substance abuse treatment.







Restorative Community Justice (RCJ)>>>

Grand Mesa Youth Services Center embraces the Restorative Community Justice philosophy, a balanced approach concept that helps repair the harm done to victims and/or communities by a juvenile in the custody of DYC. Grand Mesa is committed to helping communities by utilizing a comprehensive transition program that allows us to partner with our communities in various ways to promote successful re-integration.